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5. [] LIAISON Tom Vogel, staff member, House Select Committee on Drug Abuse and Control, called and we discussed Chairman Lester Wolff's (D., N.Y.) request for any information the Agency would have concerning the reported illicit drug traffic by KMT Chinese [] in North Burma. I explained that Agency representatives had briefed Chairman Wolff on a number of occasions in the past on this subject and inquired as to what additional information Chairman Wolff would be seeking. Vogel said he had sat in on some of these briefings and that they were very general. Chairman Wolff will raise a question during the hearing next week inquiring as to what specific information the Agency may have concerning the alleged activities of []. We also discussed the security clearances of staff members. Vogel said he understood that clearances would be necessary for staff members and that background investigations of staff members are now in process with the FBI. However, none have been initiated yet. He asked if arrangements could be made to allow key staff members to attend the hearing. This is being coordinated with the Office of Security.

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6. [] LIAISON Called Bob Turner, Legislative Assistant to Senator Robert Griffin (R., Mich.), concerning the somewhat confused situation on staff members attending the briefing by the Director before the Subcommittee on Arms Control, International Organizations and Security Agreements, Senate Foreign Relations Committee. Turner was completely sympathetic with our problems and said that Senator Griffin is supportive of efforts to limit proliferation of sensitive information and offered to be of help in the future if the need arises.

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7. [] LIAISON Representative Paul McCloskey (R., Calif.) called requesting assistance on a pending matter.

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8. [] LIAISON Sam Hoskinson, NSC staff, called to review our proposed handling of the request for information on Panama generated by Representative Leonor Sullivan (D., Mo.). I reviewed the situation in detail and the advice we had received that we provide our written response to Chairman Melvin Price, House Armed Services Committee, who would make it available to Mrs. Sullivan since Chairman Price had already written the Agency on her behalf. Hoskinson had no problem with this approach but requested we hold up until he could close the loop on the reply between the White House to Mrs. Sullivan's latest letter.

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